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June 3, 1998

Commissioner Robert C. Shinn, Jr. New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection 401 E. State Street CN-402 Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0402

**Dear Commissioner Shinn:** 

As you may know, the City of Perth Amboy's (the "City") water supply comes from the Runyon Watershed property owned by the City and located in Old Bridge Township. The Watershed has been contaminated with metals and volatile organic chemicals discharged by Madison Industries, Inc. ("Madison") and Chemical and Polution Sciences, Inc. ("CPS") Industries which are located adjacent to the Watershed.

Although the contamination has been undergoing investigation and remediation over the past six years under the oversight of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection ("NJDEP"), I am very distressed to learn from the City's consulting engineer, Killam Associates, that the sampling results reveal that metals continue to be discharged into the Watershed by Madison and that there has been no significant improvement in water quality with respect to metals. Enclosed is a copy of Killam's letter dated June 1, 1998, which documents the metals problem.

I would appreciate a meeting with you to discuss this matter which is of utmost importance to the residents of Perth Amboy who depend upon Runyon Watershed for their drinking water.

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